

WASHINGTON.

THE THEOBEL-CARLISLE CONTEST BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE.

The Reading of Letters Written by Gen. Sypher, Theobel's Counsel, Causes a Sensation—Decision of the Committee to Confer Mr. Carlisle's Title to His Seat—The Wool Conference—A Hearing Granted the Memphis Waterways Convention's Committee.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 14.—Every member of the House Committee on Elections was in attendance this morning to resume the consideration of the Theobel-Carlisle contested election case. Mr. Hallam of Covington, Ky., appeared in behalf of Speaker Carlisle, and Mr. J. Hale Sypher appeared for the contestants. The chairman announced that the presentation of affidavits in behalf of the contestants was in order. Mr. Hallam took the stand that sufficient cause had not been shown for a re-opening of the case. The action of the committee on the other side in presenting affidavits at the last session seemed to show that they concurred in that belief. Among the things stated by the contestants in their affidavits was one to the effect that John A. Gossard, of Covington, had been a witness in behalf of Mr. Carlisle, had stated one or two days after the election that the speaker had been guilty of perjury. Mr. Hallam, Master of Covington, Ky., would so testify. In answer to that the counsel read affidavits by Dr. Gordon and Dr. Price, both of the same stand. Mr. Gossard further denied emphatically the assertion made by counsel for the contestants that some relatives of Carlisle had been present at the trial of Gen. Sypher's counsel, for the purpose of influencing him. He states that he is the only relative of Carlisle who has ever been in Washington, and he declares that neither he nor any other person, so far as he is concerned, ever in any manner, approached or attempted to approach Wood or any other member of Congress.

IN CARLISLE'S BEHALF.

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STILL A MYSTERY.

The Inquest on the Body of Young Baker Develops Nothing.

The death of young George Wilson Baker, son of Isaac G. Baker, President of the Continental Bank, remains a mystery. To-day an inquest was held on the body at the family residence, No. 2708 Pine street, formerly Baker avenue, but it disclosed nothing. The nature of the death is unknown, it could easily have been inflicted accidentally, the ball having entered the right temple, passing up through the brain, lodging at the back of the head; and yet no mark of suicide has been learned. The young man was reported fond of firearms and an expert shot. His room was well furnished. Strung all over the walls were revolvers, rifles, bowie knives, bridles, sombreros, spurs, and in fact a complete border outfit. So far as concern goes, he was not alone and his parents, who had sufficient means to provide him with everything reasonable for which he could wish.

THE TESTIMONY.

Only two witnesses were examined at the inquest today. They were the mother of the young man, Mrs. Francis W. Baker, and the sister, Miss Fannie W. Baker. The latter stated that she was in the house with her mother when the shot was fired. The former testified as follows: "I am the mother of a boy, 19 years of age, unmarried and was born in Lexington, Mo. He lived here with me, his father and sister. He is a honest boy, always spotless. He has never been in any trouble. He has been a good boy, and could not have been very much disappointed at that, because he knew when he took the pistol that he would be temporarily. Besides, we have ample means to provide for him, and the fact of his being out of employment would not have bothered us. The school board has been very kind to him, and he declared that neither he nor any other person, so far as he is concerned, ever in any manner, approached or attempted to approach Wood or any other member of Congress."

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HURT HIS FEELINGS.

A prominent second street business man engaged in the Post-Dispatch office on Fourth street about 2 o'clock.

"Want to get out of town?" was all he said.

"Sell me a ticket to the winter carnival at St. Louis."

"Hold on, young man, not quite so fast," said the merchant, with an agonized expression, as he turned over the desk here and evidently your ear meward."

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IN SOCIETY.

EVENTS OF INTEREST GATHERED IN LOCAL SOCIAL CIRCLES TO-DAY.

A Big Reception Given by Mrs. T. H. West
—The Guests and Toilettes—Mrs. Teasdale's Reception—Society News, Gossip and Chat.

A handsome reception was given yesterday afternoon by Mrs. T. H. West at her residence, No. 229 Lucas place. The moral decorations were very elaborate; the standard and chandliers were finished with cambric and broad lace foliage plants wainscoting the walls, making a very effective background for the beautiful toilettes which were worn by the hostess and her guests. In the hall, beneath the stairway, Steinkehn and his orchestra were stationed behind a screen of plants, and in every convenient nook were placed vases and flat designs of cut flowers, while banks of roses of every color upon the mantelpieces added their perfume to the other sweet odors from perfumed lace which filled the air. In the dining-room the table was set with a flat design of pink buds and half-brown roses in a bed of fern leaves, almost covering the center of the table, from which Pechmann served delightful refreshments.

Mrs. West wore a very handsome gown of black velvet, on trains, the corsage cut on V and filled with black tulle, cut steel passementerie bordering the opening, and forming spangles upon the shoulders, and trimming the sleeves. In her hand she carried a large bunch of pink roses; diamonds at the throat and in her ears.

Mrs. Bostick, who assisted Mrs. West in the reception of her guests, wore an elegant gown of white satin with a hemmed sash of petticoat of cream-tinted satin, laid in side pleats from the waist. The corsage was six pieces of white satin, and the diamonds in the bushes face, a fall of the same lace finishing the demil sleeves; diamonds in her corsage and in her ears. In her hand she carried a bunch of American Beauties.

In Mrs. West's parlors was gathered a large and gay circle of friends, chiefly from the Southern element, so largely represented in St. Louis society. Among them, Mrs. Gen. Eugene Williams, Mrs. George Eggers, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Tracy, with plated holder of white faience, arranged in deep plate, with pale-green tulips. These young ladies also assisted Mrs. Teasdale and her daughter. Steinkehn's Orchestra, concealed in a screen of plants, supplied music to the coming and going of the guests, some three hundred in number.

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Mrs. Mannie Teasdale wore pale blue faille, with silver-like embroidery, a guimp of white lace; broad pink sash.

At Mrs. Teasdale's.

A large reception was given yesterday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock by Mrs. J. W. Teasdale, assisted by her daughter, Miss Mamie Teasdale. There were some unique features in the floral decorations, making a very pretty and elaborate effect of the room. A long lace-draped alcove, in which was placed a chocolate table amid a group of tropical plants, was draped over by two young ladies, Misses Bettie Austin and Belle Krever, in pretty gowns of white and gold and blue and silver. In the entrance and office, a large arrangement by Mrs. Teasdale and Imogen Evans, in pure white dresses of lace with fleecy draperies of tulles or lace. On the tables were various articles for the guests, assisted by her daughter, Miss Mamie Teasdale, who made her debut upon that occasion.

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Chat.

Mrs. Annie Kemper is the guest of Mrs. Wm. Selby of Moberly, Mo.

Mrs. Sue Newman and family leave for Florida on Monday, where they will spend the winter.

CIDER IS BARRED.

The Citizens of Glasgow, Mo., Determined to Make a Clean Sweep.

By Telegraph to the Post-DISPATCH.

GLASGOW, Mo., January 14.—The city of Glasgow, with a population of 10,000, has been without a saloon for eighteen months, though so-called cider-mills have been running in full blast. To put the traffic down the city officers have determined to employ detectives. Some of the citizens have obtained from the Secretary of State a charter for the Glasgow Literary and Social Club, and the organization, headed by President John L. Lutz, has one of our prominent merchants, as President, and Tony Lutz, Secretary. One of the principal purposes of the club is to call a member, who imbibes too freely of intoxicants, or refuses to sign a petition for the closing of saloon licenses.

Mr. Smith's wedding was gathered a large and gay circle of friends, chiefly from the Southern element, so largely represented in St. Louis society. Among them, Mrs. Gen. Eugene Williams, Mrs. George Eggers, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Tracy, with plated holder of white faience, arranged in deep plate, with pale-green tulips. These young ladies also assisted Mrs. Teasdale and her daughter. Steinkehn's Orchestra, concealed in a screen of plants, supplied music to the coming and going of the guests, some three hundred in number.

FILCHED FROM FISCHER.

Burglars Enter a Store at Staunton, Ill., and Make a Big Haul.

By Telegraph to the Post-DISPATCH.

STAUNTON, Ill., January 14.—Last night at 10 o'clock Mr. H. C. Fischer closed his store and went home. His clerk, Avery Sawyer, passed the store at 11 o'clock and noticed that the light, which had been left burning when the store was closed, had been extinguished. He went in and made an investigation which disclosed the fact that burglar had broken in through a window and had stolen the money, about \$500, together with a lot of underwear and other articles, and amber beads studded her small reception bonnet.

Mrs. Alfred White, steel-gray tailor-made suit of brocadoth, with collar, cuffs and vest of steel; pock bonnet of the same shade, trimmed with steel.

Mrs. Henry Force, mahogany-colored faille, combined with plush of a darker shade, forming panels, and reveres upon the corsage; diamond-shaped lace, puffed; pock bonnet of the same shade, with pink plush pompon.

Mrs. George F. Crum, black satin duckies, with bouffant draperies at the back and panel formed of amber crystals, passementerie, the same shade; diamond-shaped lace, pock bonnet of the same shade, with pink plush pompon.

Mrs. Mary Leslie, garnet velvet made with a long train, and surprised corsage filled with point lace; had of garnet plush with pink plush pompon.

Mrs. F. H. Luddington, ruby-tinted red velvet, en suite over a petticoat of pleated pink faille, with V-shaped corsage filled with pink tulle, and a wide band of the pink faille, the pompon of which filled the suitable sleeves; pink algrets in her hair and fan of reddish-brown ostrich tips.

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Mrs. John Williams, black floss with black bonnet, with jet.

Mrs. B. F. Hammett, Pompeian red mohair in train with finish of plush of the same shade.

Mrs. Kate May, black faille, full draped, with pink plush bonnet.

Mrs. Dee Simmons of Memphis, Tenn., a black faille, with waist and cuffs of white moire; white moire; white floss with red velvet pompon.

Mrs. W. J. Smith, an imported dress of pearl-like faille, effectively combined with white moire; or, recipient bonnet of the two colors combined.

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Mrs. Eunice Polk, guest of Mrs. Bonell, tailor-made suit of black faille, with waist and cuffs and collar of white moire; white floss with red velvet pompon.

Mrs. Mary Leslie, black faille, morning toilette.

Mrs. Henry Bond wore green velvet in train, with tabler shashed and inserted panels of white moire; puffs of the moire inserted in the shashed panels and giles of the moire as a finish to the corsage.

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The indications for twenty-four hours, commencing at 3 p. m. to-day; Blue: are: Warmer weather; snow; light to fresh, variable winds.

The Georgia Prohibitionists should restrain Senator Brown in his vehemence for free whisky.

The W. C. T. U. ladies should explain their action in making a fight for cheaper whisky and more drunkenness.

It is feared that the wool-grower is getting too big and pervasive. Moreover, he is too timid and too apt to run from shadows.

PRINCE FERDINAND is making preparations for war. He is not willing to take any hint that is less substantial than an invading army.

The New England woolen manufacturers insist that raw wool shall be put on the free list. Here is a chance for John Sherman to try his hand as a whipper-in.

SENATOR JOE BROWN is too much interested in pig-iron to deliver a fair and judicial speech on the tariff question. He is not competent to sit in judgment on the case.

THE Mississippi Legislature has just indorsed LAMAR and invited JEFF DAVIS to visit the capital and deliver an address. Now keep still a few moments and hear the echoing howl.

ONE of the first proceedings of the Gas-Trust managers after watering the stock to the extent of \$2,000,000 was to cut down the pay of the stokers at the gas-works. This by now REPUBLICAN organ is pitching into LAKER on account of his unrestrained bosity. The much-snubbed Governor Hard Ohio promises to become a valuable democratic ally for next year.

The Sherman boom and the Foraker Blasphem are beginning to crowd each other into two big nests in a small bed. Neither Laken turn over without mashing the other and hurting somebody's feelings.

"My soul is out in the rain," exclaims a Philadelphia poet. This bard is to be congratulated on giving his soul a bath. A man who lives in a clean city like Philadelphia is apt to acquire cleanly habits.

The bloody-shirt critics of the President's message have shown a very gullible ignorance of American history. But perhaps this is to be expected of men who do not appear to have learned that the war is over.

It is evident that some people believe that there is one more President in the bloody shirt; but they are mistaken. They will never reach Uncle Sam's larder by that route, no matter how lean and famished they may be.

A CONTEMPORARY asserts that the newspapers are killing the bungo men ready to join JACK SHARP and LELAND STANFORD in denouncing the "blackmailing" methods of the press.

If the Republicans imagine that Mr. BLAINE and his friends have forgotten all about the rascality that was devised and engineered by the "visiting statesmen" of 1876, let them nominate Senator SHERMAN for President next summer. It is a poor tattoo that will not work both ways.

RECORDED DAVENTPORT of Kansas City answers press criticisms on his official course by abusing a reporter from the

bench and calling it "contempt of court" when his victim attempts to reply. Recorder DAVENTPORT recalls the story of the rural justice of the peace who was also an auctioneer and who fined a citizen for contempt of court at an auction sale on the ground that a Justice of the Peace was always an object of contempt.

HOW THEY MISQUOTE.

Mr. SHERMAN and the organs that echo his advocacy of surplus taxation committed themselves wantonly and recklessly to a very bold but easily refuted misrepresentation of American history when they asserted that JEFFERSON, JACKSON and CLAY all regarded a surplus as a good thing and favored its distribution among the States.

The fact is that each and all of the great men referred to invariably, throughout their connection with public affairs, put themselves on record as insisting on reduced taxation whenever the revenue exceeded the demands of an economical administration of the Government.

The service policy of the Administration. The chief results of Mr. HALE's public career have been his induction into the position of ZACH CHANDLER's son-in-law and his winning the soubriquet of "Blaine's Little Bab." As long as Senator HALE succeeds in keeping himself from being stepped on he is doing quite well.

A REPUBLICAN organ says that no free-trade politician or journalist has yet attempted to answer SHERMAN's speech. This may be true, but it has been soundly answered from revenue reform sources. The editor of this particular organ can satisfy himself about this by referring to his file of the Chicago Tribune.

Mr. BLAINE is to make the presidential race again, of course he does not want to be handicapped a second time with the blasting support of the New York Sun; but he would be in keeping with his hard political luck to find himself suddenly loaded with that sort of championship.

Andrew Jackson on Surplus Taxation.

From Jackson's Farewell Address.

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A SENSATIONAL SCENE.

Leader Mills Has a Lively Tiff With Representative Hatch.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 14.—The session of the House closed yesterday afternoon in a very stormy scene, having for its central figure Mr. Mills of Texas, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. The incident seemed to indicate the great degree of self-control which Mr. Mills must exercise to occupy the position of leader of his party on the floor. Mr. Mills, without consulting his colleagues, had performed many gestures on both sides of the aisle, as well as a number of senators, that the House would not sit on Saturday, as it did, but he rose and moved that when the House adjourned for the day it be set on Monday. Many members who had heard of his action were surprised at his boldness, and others plans and decisions a second Saturday. Prominent among these was Mr. Hatch of Missouri, whose agricultural measure was on the eve of being voted upon. There was, in consequence of this bill, opposition to the motion, and after a vote of 100 to 80, the bill was voted down by a small majority. The last, the vote was announced Mr. Mills sprang to his feet and excitedly proclaimed himself ready to vote, but for the consequences that may result from it. I have given my personal pronouncement, and I will not withdraw it to-morrow, and I will not be responsible for the failure of my motion."

Opposition was manifested on the face of members on the Democratic side, while the excited utterances were received by the Republicans with derisive laughter. Mr. Hendon of Indiana was first and shouted:

"Who is your leader?"

The was the signal for a fresh outburst from the House, and the roar of voices, the din of yells and cat-calls, entirely drowning the voice of the speaker and the pounding of the gavel. A number of bold orators of the House shouted their and fought with regard to recognition from the Chair, and it was fully ten minutes before anything like order could be restored. Mr. Hatch, of Missouri, saw Mr. Mills' predicament, and made an attempt to come to his relief. "I think," said he, "it is better to let the question go over this question, and I therefore move the reconsideration of the vote by which the motion to adjourn was lost."

It was at this moment Mr. Mills, who was passing up and down the aisle in the most excited fashion, and either did not see, or did not care to see, that Mr. Hatch was merely trying to assist him.

"If the gentleman will permit me—"

I object again to adjourned Mr. Mills, and I request a motion to adjourn."

Mr. Hatch sat down quietly, but with a dangerous glint in his eye. He was at once surprised by the action of his colleagues, and several hurried over to Mr. Mills' seat and endeavored to explain the situation to him.

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By Telegraph to the Post-Dispatch.

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Then Dr. Frank Abbott, one of the defendants, got up and said, "Miss Dunn and I requested her to open her mouth. She did so, and after looking into the pink sinker he asked for a dark handkerchief. Click, click, went the retractor joints and Dr. Abbott acknowledged he heard the mysterious sound. The jury solemnly gazed at the pretty mouth and then grew white with fear of each other. Next Dr. Edward T. Weed, a fine-looking young man with a curly beard, explained that the dental work was done by the stretching of the ligaments of the jaw. He said that every time Miss Dunn would laugh, and the stretch would click, thereby causing much inconvenience to the owner. It never could be cured, but must click forever. This seemed to impress the jury, and they were about to have the fatal verdict when Dr. Abbott asked Miss Dunn some questions, then easily had a verdict for the plaintiff. The jury filed out without a word of explanation in a downtown restaurant. This piece of testimony excited a general smile.

The defense agent, Mr. Abbott, one of the defendants, was asked what he thought of Miss Dunn's testimony. He said, "I don't know if she was glad to get it. But I don't think she was very much frightened on my account."

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